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REMARKS

I. INTRODUCTION

In response to the Office Action dated April 26, 2006, claims 1, 3, 8, 10, 15-16, 20-21, 25, 27-29 and 31-32 have been canceled, and claims 2, 4, 5, 6, 9, 11, 12 and 13 have been amended. Claims 2, 4-7, 9 and 11-14 remain in the application. Entry of these amendments, and re-consideration of the application, as amended, is requested.

II. PRIOR ART REJECTIONS

In paragraph (4) of the Office Action, claims 1, 3, 8 and 10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable in view of the combination of U.S. Patent 6,405,052 (Faber) and U.S. Patent 6,643,275 (Gustafsson). In paragraph (5) of the Office Action, claims 15, 16, 20 and 21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable in view of the combination of U.S. Patent 6,397,043 (Kang) and U.S. Patent 5,960,361 (Chen). In paragraph (6) of the Office Action, claims 25, 27-29, 31 and 32 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable in view over U.S. Patent 4,829,524 (Yoshida) in view of Faber.

However, in paragraph (7) of the Office Action, claims 2, 4-7, 9 and 11-13 were indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form to include the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicants' attorney has amended claims 2, 4, 6, 9, 11 and 13 to rewrite them in independent form, including the base claim and any intervening claims. In addition, Applicants' attorney has canceled claims 1, 3, 8, 10, 15-16, 20-21, 25, 27-29 and 31-32. Consequently, Applicants' attorney submits that claims 2, 4-7, 9 and 11-14 are now allowable.

III. CONCLUSION

In view of the above, it is submitted that this application is now in good order for allowance and such allowance is respectfully solicited.

Should the Examiner believe minor matters still remain that can be resolved in a telephone interview, the Examiner is urged to call Applicants' undersigned attorney.


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